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1. The Mechanical-Machine Building Institute in Kharkov, USSR (Mechaniki-Machina Straitseini Institut) was located in the west center of town, near Pushkinskaya Ulitsa. The Institute sustained only minor damage during World War II. Next to it was located the Kharkov Electro-Mechanical Institute (Kharkovskii Elektro-Mechanichiski Institut) of about the same size. The two schools formed a small University City. On Pushkinskaya Ulitsa there was a five-story brick building called the "gigant" (Giant). It housed out-of-town students who were attending the various colleges in Kharkov.
2. The Mechanical-Machine Building Institute had two large brick buildings. One, a three-story structure, was used for classrooms. The other housed the mechanical workshops, which included such items as one turbine and one Diesel. This building was basically a one-story structure but it had two stories in the section which housed the turbine.
3. In 1939, the Mechanical-Machine Building Institute had approximately 40 professors, plus numerous visiting professors. There were about 1500 students, with approximately 300 graduating yearly. The Institute turned out mechanical engineers specializing in such fields as turbines, automobile repair plants, factory construction, and repair of diesels. I can remember only the following professors by name:
 - a. Iosip Zaharovich Sevastyanov - taught cold working of metals, ie, use of metal-cutting lathes. He was good as an engineer and as a teacher. He was about 49 years old in 1939.
 - b. (fnu) Podporin - taught general machine construction (turbines, steam engines, etc). He was good in his field. About 58 in 1939.
 - c. (fnu) Proskurov - taught mechanical engineering.
 - d. (fnu) Prokofieff - taught mathematics. About 50 in 1939.

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